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Office of the State Board of Centennial Managers

St Louis Nov 22. 1875

Dr Geo. Engelman

Sir

The State Board of Centennial Managers having confidence in your ability and patriotism, respectfully request you to prepare and furnish the Board with a Memoir or Essay on the Botany of the State.

It is intended to present Missouri as she is in 1876, and it will be desirable to receive the essays asked for, on or before the 1st of April next.

An answer is respectfully requested.

Your obt serv.

Thos: Allen

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Thos Allen Esq

Pres^t State Board

Sir

Your very flattering request to furnish the Board with an Essay on the Botany of the State has been duly considered — and I have come to the conclusion that my knowledge of the Vegetation of the State extending ~~scarcely over~~ ~~not over~~ scarcely over the limits of our County would not qualify or justify me ~~to undertake it~~ the more so as Allen may be more ~~will be taken~~ for fear the time up with Agricultural engagements entered into long ago

respectfully

Your

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